

THE FUTURE ADMIRALS AT ANNAPOLIS SAY, THE RACE IS NOT ALWAYS TO THE FLEET

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Success of Teams From Land of the Setting Sun in Recent Years Should Be Lesson to Effete East—Strong for Intercollegiates

PERHAPS when Horace Greeley put over his red-hot tip to the youth of our land the going in the West was soft and luscious, but if the great editor were...

ABOUT the only things the Stanford crew had were brawn, heart and speed. They were so short of funds that they took steps to pledge their boat in order to get back to the home circle.

Invaders Will Enliven 1917 Intercollegiate

INTERCOLLEGIATE track and field sport this spring is to be again "enlivened" by another invasion from California. Already the men on the Pacific coast are tuning up for the fray.

It is generally conceded that if California had been a bit stronger in the track events last spring it would have given Cornell a bad scare for first place.

IN A recent competition this young man sent the sixteen-pound hammer just 162 feet 2 inches, and in the bargain defeated Gildersleeve, the winner in the intercollegiate.

What the Western Novices Are Doing

WITH Worthington, of Dartmouth, eligible for the broad jump, neither the western colleges nor eastern institutions need expect much in this event.

HOWEVER, we in the East can console ourselves with the thought that seldom does a team which is not strong all around win the intercollegiate, and unless they have some wonderful track men under cover the westerners do not fill the bill.

Nothing From Hoppe But Silence

WILLIE HOPPE uttered a somewhat bold and defiant challenge a few weeks ago, whereupon the sporting public shouted "Bravo!" And now the same crowd is murmuring "Pacific" because the cue wizard is adroitly dodging the acceptances which are coming his way.

The Hoppe challenge has caused a lot of speculation as to whether it would be possible for a man, even marvelous as is Hoppe, to triumph over the combined playing of two men.

YAMADA and Morningstar playing in "snucks" against Hoppe surely would keep him hustling. Playing the "brother-in-law" game, one leaving a set-up for his partner and the other playing Hoppe safe, they look invincible.

Looks Like a Regular Job for Bill Meyer

ACCORDING to reports from Jacksonville, Bill Meyer, who caught in the neighborhood of fifty games for the Jumbled Mackmen last season, is slated to be a regular wearer of the mask and protector this year.

Wally Schang, who was shunted around from one position to another last year until he was trying to throw out men at first from left field, will return to a regular assignment behind the bat.

THIS said that Ping Bodie's ambition is to equal "Gavvy" Cravath's home-run record on Philadelphia soil. Aim high, Ping, old boy; aim high.

Dillon Is "Pussycat" Now Instead of "Bearcat"

NEW YORK is a great little place for panning the pups who hail from west of the Alleghenies. To the long list of western boggers who have exhibited their wiles in Gotham and have been driven back whence they came by the lash of criticism on the part of the populace is added the name of Jack Dillon.

BROWN AGAIN ON TOP OF SCORERS

Camden Forward Repeats by Leading Eastern League in Point Getting

ROY STEELE IS SECOND

Eastern Basketball Statistics at a Glance

Table with columns: Club, W, L, P.C., Points, Rebounds, Assists, Gms. Played. Includes rows for Greystock, Jasper, Trenton, Camden, De Neri.

History repeats itself, according to the Eastern Basketball League averages, and Jimmy Brown and Roy Steele, who led the scorers last year, are again at the top of the list, but with averages just a few points short of their previous totals.

The Greys have three men among the first half dozen in Fogarty, Sugarman and Cross, the latter being second in field goals with 108.

Misfortune played havoc with the home of Kennedy, Linton and Patterson and Jasper was up against it nearly all the time. Fox missed two games, Friedman and Seidan one, Kerr eleven and Hough twenty-three.

BASKETBALL AVERAGES

Table with columns: Player, Club, P.C., Points, Rebounds, Assists, Gms. Played. Lists various players and their statistics.

FOUL SHOOTING RECORDS

Table with columns: Player, Club, P.C., Goals, Ch's, Gms. Lists players and their foul shooting records.



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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



The games promise to be the hardest fought ones ever played in this section.

Table with columns: Club, Total Points by Points, Opposite, Assists, Gms. Played. Lists Greystock, Jasper, Trenton, Camden, De Neri.

Everything is in readiness for the big series at Camden on Wednesday evening.

J. FRANKLIN BAKER, BALL WALLOPER IS GOOD FOR BATTING INCREASE OF FORTY POINTS IN NEXT SEASON

By GRANTLAND RICE The Soul Cracker The drive that goes two hundred yards is soft enough for me; I do not mind the traps that yawn Beyond the festive tee; But I can feel my brain career, My bleeding soul is cut, The time I meet upon the green A down-hill three-foot putt.

I'll meet a gunman any day And not give way an inch; I've tackled bill collectors where My nerve refused to flinch; I've hit a line and run an end, I've blocked a runner, but My knees still shake each time I face A down-hill three-foot putt.

John Franklin Baker LAST SPRING John Franklin Baker reported for play after a year's respite on the farm.

He had surrendered the bat for the hoe and the plow, and the result was that he got a poor start on the season's run. His average varied between .265 and .280. About the time he got going again, later on in the year, he rammed his stalwart ribs against the even more stalwart grandstand and ceased shooting for an indefinite period.

The Big Punch With Baker and Wally Pipp, the Yankees should have a combination this season in the rummaging line equal to any in the game, not even excluding Collins and Jackson or Cobb and Yeach.

This may even be an overly extravagant statement. But recall these details: Pipp last season drove across more runs than any other man in the league—barring neither Cobb nor Speaker. Baker, up to the time of his accident, was only a brief span behind. These two are both long-range hitters, and working together they should take the place held by Crawford and Cobb or Cravath and Ludorus.

Most cricket players in this country stick to their own game. Norman Maxwell, the star young Philadelphia roller, was a cricket player, and so was Harry Vaughn, eminent athlete in other lines who ever indulged in cricket to any great extent. Although any number of good cricket players take up other games as a side line, they stick to cricket in the main details.

The citizens of this well-known Commonwealth will sit at a football or a baseball game and pan the equally well-known hinds of the athletes where there is had team play or any tendency to star at the expense of the club. Yet in developing team play in the larger affairs of the nation the only response is a badly suppressed yawn.

It would be an interesting experiment some day to train a team of crack ball players for a cricket ensemble and observe how well they could make out against some well-known cricket array.

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